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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of raids were conducted by the Director General of Customs and Excise Intelligence (DGCEI) in various States during the last two years;
- (b) the revenue collected therefrom; and
- (c) the steps proposed to be taken to make revenue intelligence more effective?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) :

(a) The total number of searches conducted by Directorate General of Central Excise Intelligence in various states in the last two financial years is as follows:-

Year	No.of searches
2004-05	317
2005-06	327

The state-wise and year-wise break up of the number of searches conducted by Directorate General of Central Excise Intelligence is given in the enclosed Statement.

(b) The revenue collected there from is as follows:

Year	Revenue collected from cases at `a` above (Rs. in Crores)
2004-05	82.47
2005-06	85.46

(c) Steps are continuously being taken to strengthen and enhance the anti-evasion efforts of the Department. Steps taken include :-

- (i) Developing strategic intelligence regarding evasion prone commodities and units.
- (ii) Dissemination of intelligence by issue of Modus Operandi circulars.
- (iii) Strengthening the informer network.
- (iv) Booking of cases involving similar modus operandi of evasion in other units.
- (v) Concentrating on cases having large revenue stakes and/or those having recurring effect.